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California Receives \$108 Million in Port and Transit Security Grants

SACRAMENTO – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) today announced its FY '10 grant awards giving California more than \$108 million in total funding for various port, transit and other security grants. California received about 14 percent of the national total, about the same as last year.

“California ports handle more than half of the container traffic in the country, and it’s crucial we keep them and our entire transportation system as safe and vibrant as possible,” said Secretary Matthew Bettenhausen of the California Emergency Management Agency. “I am also pleased to see an increase in funding for a number of emergency operations centers, which will help us in our mission to protect Californians and respond properly to an emergency.”

DHS Secretary Janet Napolitano announced awards from nine grant programs today, the biggest being the Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) and the Port Security Grant Program (PSGP). Nationally, the FY 2010 TSGP provides \$253,437,597 to owners and operators of transit systems to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies. California’s portion is \$34,985,000. DHS is allotting \$288 million nationally for PSGP to port areas for enhancing maritime domain awareness, enhancing risk management capabilities to prevent, detect, respond to and recover from attacks involving improvised explosive devices (IEDs), Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, Explosive (CBRNE), and other non-conventional weapons, as well as training and exercises and Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) implementation. California’s share is \$55,304,804.

Port Security (PSGP)

- Los Angeles-Long Beach Marine Exchange of Los Angeles Long Beach Harbor, Inc.: \$31,453,287
- San Francisco Bay Marine Exchange of the San Francisco Bay Region: \$19,913,142
- San Diego San Diego Unified Port District: \$2,774,725
- Port Hueneme Oxnard Harbor District (Port of Hueneme): \$1,163,650
- Transit Security (TSGP)/Los Angeles/Long Beach and Anaheim/Santa Ana
- Long Beach Transit: \$100,000
- Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority: \$3,584,180

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- Montebello Bus Lines: \$485,000
- Omnitrans (San Bernardino): \$273,568
- Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA): \$2,459,400
- Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink): \$2,600,704

San Francisco Bay Area

- Altamont Commuter Express (ACE): \$300,000
- San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART): \$10,562,848
- San Francisco Municipal Railway (MUNI): \$7,510,190
- Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA): \$1,500,000

San Diego

- North San Diego County Transit System (NCTD): \$1,538,250
- San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS): \$3,981,790

Other grants announced today include:

The FY 2010 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program: Provides funding to improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure and interoperable Emergency Operations Centers (EOCs) with a focus on addressing identified deficiencies and needs. This program also provides funding for construction or renovation of a state, local or tribal governments' EOC. Fully capable emergency operations facilities at the state, local and tribal levels are an essential element of a comprehensive national emergency management system and are necessary to ensure continuity of operations and continuity of government in major disasters caused by any hazard.

- City of Brawley: \$500,000
- City of Commerce: \$1,000,000
- City of Cupertino: \$300,000
- City of Elk Grove: \$750,000
- City of La Habra: \$274,500
- City of Monterey Park: \$375,000

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- City of Moreno Valley: \$400,000
- City of Whittier: \$500,000
- San Francisco Department of Emergency Management: \$800,000
- Trinity County: \$117,159

The FY 2010 Freight Rail Security Grant Program (FRSGP): Provides funding to freight railroad carriers and owners and operators of railroad cars to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism.

- Exeter San Joaquin Valley Railroad Company: \$100,000
- Los Angeles Los Angeles Junction Railway Company: \$75,000

The FY 2010 Intercity Bus Security Grant Program (IBSGP): Provides funding to assist operators of fixed-route intercity and charter bus services in obtaining the resources required to support security measures such as enhanced planning, facility security upgrades, and vehicle and driver protection.

- American Star Trailways, Inc.: \$201,577
- Pacific Coachway's Charter Services, Inc.: \$16,210
- Screamline Investment Corporation DBA TourCoach International: \$65,490
- Shalimar Travel and Tours: \$90,085
- Silverado Stages: \$27,011
- Silver State Trailways: \$24,255

The FY 2010 Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Program (IECGP): Provides funding to state, territory, local, and tribal governments to carry out initiatives to improve interoperable emergency communications, including communications in collective response to natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other man-made disasters. The program provides the flexibility to purchase interoperable communications equipment if the State Administrative Agency (SAA) and the Statewide Interoperable Coordinator (SWIC) Statewide Interoperable Communications Plan (SCIP) point of contact certified that the state or territory has fulfilled such governance, planning, training and exercise objectives.

California:

Emergency Communications Grant Program (IECGP): \$5,480,500

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The FY 2010 Driver's License Security Grant Program (DLSGP): Provides funding to prevent terrorism, reduce fraud and improve the reliability and accuracy of personal identification documents that states and territories issue. DLSGP is intended to address a key recommendation of the 9/11 Commission to improve the integrity and security of state-issued driver's licenses (DL) and identification cards (ID). gram

California:

Driver's License Security Grant Program (DLSGP): \$1,656,999

The FY 2010 Buffer Zone Protection Program (BZPP): Provides funding to increase the preparedness capabilities of jurisdictions responsible for the safety and security of communities surrounding high-priority pre-designated Tier 1 and Tier 2 critical infrastructure and key resource (CIKR) assets, including chemical facilities, financial institutions, nuclear and electric power plants, dams, stadiums and other high-risk/high-consequence facilities.

California:

Buffer Zone Protection Program (BZPP): \$5,200,000

"We will continue to stress to decision makers in Washington, D.C. the need to protect the nation's biggest State with the proper amount of funding," said Bettenhausen. "We at Cal EMA will continue to make sure every dollar is spent wisely and efficiently to meet all our homeland security and emergency preparedness needs."

For further information regarding the grants and about the California Emergency Management Agency, please visit our website, www.calema.ca.gov.

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